

City of Santa Barbara Infrastructure Financing Taskforce Meeting

May 3, 2008 11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m. Granada Garage Conference Room 1221 Anacapa Street

City Staff Members

James L. Armstrong
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Interim Director of Public Works
Jill Taura
Budget Manager
Kathy Kefauver
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Lori Pedersen
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Committee Members Richard Jensen, *Chair* Stephen Kurtzer, *Vice-Chair*

W. Scott Burns Robert Geis Renee Grubb Dudley Morris Frank Schipper

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 11:56 a.m.

Members Present

Chair Richard Jensen Scott Burns, Renee Grubb, Stephen Kurtzer, Dudley Morris and Frank Schipper

Members Absent

Robert Geis

Staff Present

James L. Armstrong, City Administrator Robert D. Peirson, Finance Director Paul Casey, Acting Public Works Director Bettie Weiss, City Planner Jill Taura, Budget Manager Brian Bosse, Principal Planner Elizabeth Limon, Project Planner Kathy Kefauver, Administrative Analyst III Lori Pedersen, Administrative Analyst

2. Public Comments

None.

3. Approval of minutes for March April 3rd and 17th.

The minutes were approved as submitted.

4. Presentation on California Local Government Infrastructure Financing Techniques and Issues.

Mr. Paul Silvern of HR&A Advisors, Inc. gave the Taskforce a brief summary of his background. He then presented information regarding Infrastructure Financing Techniques and Developer Fees.

During and after the presentation the Taskforce discussed the following items:

- How relevant are developer fees in this community?
- Is more efficiency needed in the City with greater fiscal responsibility?
- How can we draw more people to this community to spend money?
- What is the true priority of the capital projects if they are "unfunded"?
- Is the Capital Improvement Program part of the Plan Santa Barbara effort?
- When will the facilities renewal project be completed?
- Is the City building new projects without consideration for the annual maintenance cost?
- Shouldn't money be invested in capital projects that help to draw people to our community? i.e. Cabrillo Bath house, Bird Refuge
- Where are Public Private Partnerships possible?
- What other creative financing exists that Santa Barbara could examine? i.e. Ventura's gas tax dedication.
- Why do department boundaries exist as they do? i.e. Waterfront and Parks and Recreation. Should changes be made?

5. Creation of a Report Subcommittee.

Mr. Morris volunteered to craft the report based on his working outlines and Mr. Kurtzer and Chair Jensen will work with him.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.